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SUBJECT: UNHCR AND FAMILY REUNIFICATION

1. DARRYL NYUN HAN, UNHCR REPRESENTATIVE IN HANOI, PASSED THROUGH BANGKOK JANUARY 18-19 ON HIS RETURN TO NORTH VIET-NAM AFTER SEVERAL WEEKS' VACATION. WHILE VISITING NEW YORK BRIEFLY, HAN SAID UNHCR OFFICIAL DAYAL SPOKE TO HIM ABOUT THE CONSIDERABLE INTEREST IN THE U.S. IN THE QUESTION OF FAMILY REUNIFICATION, PARTICULARLY IN THE CASE OF AMERICANS MARRIED TO VIETNAMESE WHO REMAIN IN SOUTH VIET-NAM. HAN SAID HE BELIEVES HE COULD BE OF ASSISTANCE IN SOME OF THESE CASES AND WOULD BE WILLING TO TRY IF HE RECEIVES THE WORD FROM UNHCR IN GENEVA. EMBOFF EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR THE OFFER, NOTING THAT DEPARTURE OF VIETNAMESE DEPENDENTS WAS A MATTER OF IMPORTANCE TO US, AND PROMISED TO INFORM WASHINGTON IN CASE THE USG WISHES TO PURSUE THE SUBJECT IN GENEVA.

2. INCIDENTALLY, HAN SAID THAT BOTH THE DRV AND THE UNHCR HAVE AGREED TO AN INCREASE IN HIS STAFF IN HANOI. SINCE THE VIETNAMESE ARE NOT PERMITTING THE UNHCR TO OPEN A SAIGON OFFICE BUT HAVE TOLD HANOI HE CAN TRAVEL BETWEEN HANOI AND SAIGON AS OFTEN AS HE WISHES, HE BELIVES HE WOULD HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO LOOK INTO FAMILY REUNIFICATION CASES, IF REQUESTED.

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